



CHESTER CITY



GREENALLS

LITTLEWOODS CUP 1st ROUND SECOND LEG

BOLTON WANDERERS

WEDNESDAY, 7th SEPTEMBER, 1988 KICK-OFF 7.30 p.m.

Official
Programme

60p



Welcome to the Stadium

Good evening and welcome to the Stadium for tonight's Littlewoods' Cup tie against Bolton Wanderers. A special welcome to players, officials and supporters who have made the trip from Bolton for tonight's game.

As you will know we are trailing by a goal to nil after the first leg last Tuesday but we are confident that we can pull off a win tonight and join the First and Second Division clubs in tomorrow's second round draw. We have, of course, met Bolton before in this competition when it was known as the Milk Cup. After losing 3-0 at Burnden Park we won 3-0 here at Sealand Road in the return, eventually winning the tie on penalties.

Both of tonight's teams had good results at the weekend. We of course won 2-1 at Port Vale, a result that was well earned despite some news reports at the weekend, whereas Bolton had a 4-0 win at home to Cardiff City.

So there we are, with both teams in good form the scene is set for an exciting, entertaining cup tie.

Enjoy the game,

JOHN MARTIN



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NEWS ON 3

PRESTON kick-off News on 3 tonight and quite rightly so as the club have unveiled plans for a £90,000 complex for disabled fans. The fans will be able to watch the game in comfort from a specially adapted section of the stand as well as having a refreshment room of their own. As one disabled fan commented, "This puts the Proud back in Proud Preston". Fellow Lancashire side **BLACKPOOL** have also made the news again for an unusual reason — Mrs. Vicki Oyston, the wife of major shareholder Owen Oyston has joined the Board of Directors. Mrs. Oyston, a life-long Blackpool fan has become only the third woman to serve as a League club Director. The third piece of off the field news involving a club from our Division concerns **PORT VALE**. The Burslem based club have got together with neighbours Stoke City in a bid to stamp out trouble at matches. Any spectator who misbehaves at either ground and is banned as a result will find themselves banned from both grounds!

Barclays have revealed details of the prize money that's up for grabs this season and as far as Division Three is concerned the Champions will collect £20,000, an increase of £7,500 on last season whilst the runners-up will receive £5,000. Still with money matters and the favourites to collect that cheque mentioned above, certainly so far as the bookies are concerned would seem to be Wolves at odds of 6 to 1. Bristol City at 8 to 1 and Notts County 9 to 1 are just ahead of relegated clubs Sheffield United and Reading both at 11 to 1. Chester were in the region of 40 or 50 to 1 whilst Chesterfield and Mansfield seemed to be considered as outsiders.

Transfer moves continued to take place right up to the opening day of the season, so here's a few more moves which didn't make the Blackpool programme. **ALDERSHOT** who released experienced campaigners Tommy Langley and Andy King at the end of last season have signed ex-Barnsley striker Ian Chandler and Burnley defender Peter Leebrook. **BRISTOL ROVERS** whose rating of 14 to 1 for the title is something of a surprise

have signed 20 year-old striker Paul Smith from Brentford whilst the Bees continue to be active in the market themselves, this time selling full-back Roger Joseph to Wimbledon. **FULHAM** who had sold two defenders as reported look to have lost out in their attempt to sign Doug Rougvie from Brighton. They have however, also moved to strengthen their forward line, showing an interest in Northampton's Paul Culpin and paying Wimbledon £70,000 for Andy Sayer — Andy was one of several new men who scored on the opening day of the season! **GILLINGHAM** have signed the long-serving Reading midfielder player Jerry Williams whilst both Paul Haylock and Trevor Quow have finally agreed new contracts with the Gills. Williams incidentally became the tenth player to leave **READING** this summer but at least he was replaced, Karl Elsey moved to the Royals in a straight swap. Another new face at Elm Park is striker Colin Mitchell, signed from Scottish side Inverness Thistle.

HUDDERSFIELD have continued their rebuilding by signing Ken O'Doherty from Crystal Palace, Chris Marsden from Sheffield Utd., and Mick Holmes from Wolves, added to which they also hope to sign Shamrock Rovers striker Mick Byrne for £20,000. **NORTHAMPTON** have parted with £50,000 to sign Dean Thomas from Bundisliga side Fortuna Dusseldorf. Dean has spent 4 years in Germany initially with Aachen whom he joined after several seasons with Wimbledon. There's good news for **WIGAN** on two counts — Andy Holden is now back in action after his broken leg last January. Andy has worked very hard during the summer but also found the time to get married! Goalkeeper Nigel Adkins is also battling back following his operation for spinal damage.

Finally tonight, **NOTTS COUNTY** have sold a season ticket, nothing unusual in that you might say, but the purchaser was none other than Forest Manager Brian Clough!

Dave Andrews

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- Situations must be judged **at the moment the ball is played**, NOT when a player receives the ball.
- Referees and Linesmen have to make instantaneous judgements involving **ALL** these relevant circumstances, often when things are changing very rapidly!
- Linesmen signal **ONLY** for an offside **OFFENCE** and not merely because a player is in an offside position.
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The competition is open to all supporters, except those connected with the football club (including relatives of staff). The Editor's decision is final.

Tonight's question is:

Which team created a record to win the League Title three years in succession?

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1988-89 will see The Football Trust increase its commitment by investing further sums in closed circuit television, transport facilities for supporters and projects to bring Football League clubs closer to their local community.

WARNING

At the beginning of the season more than 110 League grounds in England, Wales and Scotland will be equipped with CLOSED CIRCUIT TELEVISION which has been funded by The Football Trust.

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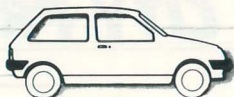
Almost every League club has been assisted with essential safety work and further substantial sums have been spent to enable them to improve facilities. In the past year alone FGIT grants to Football League clubs totalled:

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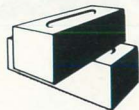
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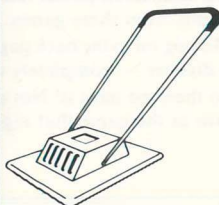
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25 YEARS OF CITY PROGRAMMES

PART TWO - 1964-65

Tonight we take a look at the programme from our 1st Round League Cup game against Wrexham which was played on 2nd September, 1964.

In those days, the first round of the League Cup as it was then known was a "one-off" affair and not the two-legged system that we are now accustomed to.

The programme had not changed a great deal from the previous season — it was still only eight pages relying heavily on advertisements for its content — although the quality of paper had been improved, probably the reason for the rise in price to four old pence! The cover still consisted of a list of club officials etc., along with six adverts, although a blue-tinted picture of the ground had been added, which showed the popular terracing only partly roofed along the half-way line area.

The inside layout was exactly the same as the '63-64 issue reviewed last week. It was interesting to note the attendance for the opening league game of the season at Sealand Road was 6,830. Unfortunately Torquay left the Stadium with maximum points after a 1-0 win.

On page 3 the pen pictures consisted of a couple of names that will be familiar to some of our more seasoned followers. Firstly Sammy McMillan, an inside forward who was to join City later on in life and then Arfon Griffiths, who I am sure needs no introduction to City fans after many derby battles in the past. Arfon of course went on to manage the club during their brief spell in the Second Division.

Once again the centre pages contained many adverts with both teams appearing in the centre. For the record the City team that night was Reeves, R. Jones, Starkey, Hauser, Butler, G. Evans, Humes, Metcalf, Talbot, Ryden and Morris. The Fourth Division table on page six showed Tranmere Rovers on top with seven points out of four games, whereas we were to be found seventh off the bottom with two points from three games.

Moving on to the back page of the programme and unfortunately something that can only be described as a disaster — completely covered with adverts except for the half-time score list!

So there we have it! Not a very inspiring programme once again, although I'm sure that all of the City fans at the game that night were more interested in the result — a 3-0 win for City.

JOHN MARTIN

1964 / 65

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NEWSDESK

Tonight we welcome Bolton to the Stadium for the second leg of our Littlewoods Cup Tie. Although we are Trailing 1-0 from the first leg at Burnden Park we feel that we can pull the tie round in tonight's game. The game at Port Vale last Saturday was a tremendous advertisement for Third Division football with some superb football and plenty of goal mouth action.

Saturday also marked the full League debut of Aidan Newhouse and after a sound performance, Aiden looks to have a bright future ahead of him. It is a great honour for the club to hear that Aiden has been selected for the England under 17 squad for the game against Ireland in Dublin on 20th September and justifies the faith that Manager Harry McNally has in him.

On the injury front, Barry Butler suffered a bruised toe in the game at Bolton, whereas Milton Graham will need a couple of months rest before returning to action. I'm sure everyone here at Sealand Road wishes Milton the earliest return to first team action.

During the next couple of months the club will be launching a new lottery with the chance to win £1,000 weekly for only £1! Further details can be obtained by ringing Chester 371862. Agents are required to sell the tickets, good commission is given, so why not give it a try?

For those of you who couldn't get to Port Vale or even those who went and would like to see the game again, it is available on video with full commentary from Port Vale Promotions, Vale Park, Burslem, Stoke on Trent ST6 1AW at a cost of £13.95. Cheques or Postal Orders should be made payable to Artificial Eye Video Promotions, stating whether VHS or Betamax is required. Please allow 21 days for delivery.

Don't forget that the membership scheme is in operation on the popular side of the ground. The cost of membership is only £1 for the season and cards are available from the main office behind the stand during normal office hours. Membership cards are **not** issued on matchdays.

Membership is also open to the Southern Branch of the Supporters Club, for those City fans who are "exiled" to other parts of the country, it is a valuable source of information on the club. The members meet regularly before away games and take part in activities. They also produce an excellent monthly magazine which includes match reports and all the current news of happenings at the Stadium. For further details of membership, contact the Secretary Stevan Rooke, Tel: 0245 442845 (home) or 01-936 2893 (work).

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FACE to JOE

with **JOE JAKUB**



Tonight we feature a second of our new summer signings "JOE" JAKUB who, has moved to The Stadium after a spell in Dutch football. Joe is a Scot, born in Falkirk on 7th December, 1956 and has been a footballer ever since his schooldays, football was the only sport Joe was involved in during those learning years and indeed, he had the ambition of being a professional footballer for "as long as I can remember". Representative honours came Joe's way when he represented Stirlingshire Schools County Team and he was soon spotted by the big club scouts. Burnley were the team that acquired Joe's signature to serve an apprenticeship, this of course in the early 70's when The Claret's were a top-flight team with a youth set-up which was the envy of many clubs. Joe's father had been instrumental in persuading him to join the Turf Moor set up and his sound advice was rewarded when Joe was taken on professional forms on 18th December, 1973. Almost a couple of seasons elapsed before that long-awaited first team debut came, a First Division game against Coventry City on 24th April, 1976, unfortunately, Burnley lost 3-1 and that one game proved to be the only time that Joe sampled life in the top league, at the end of that season Burnley were relegated - it still remains his most memorable game however. Five more appearances followed the next season but then, at the age of 20, tragedy struck when Joe suffered a broken leg scoring a goal against Notts Forest, with his head, in a reserve game - he collided with Forest keeper Chris Woods. A long-awaited return to first team action finally came on 6th March, 1979 and 12 more appearances followed that season. During season 1979-80, Joe played 23 more games for The Claret's - taking his total to 42.

The start of the following season saw Joe in dispute with Burnley and so, in October 1980, he moved on to Bury in a £20,000 deal. That move proved to be the start of something special for Joe, he made his debut for The Shakers at home to Torquay on 11th October, missed just one game during the remainder of the campaign and scored his first goal in the Football League, against Wimbledon on 2nd May, 1981. The game Joe missed was against Scunthorpe on 27th December, he returned to the side on 10th January and started what proved to be a run of 184 consecutive League games before he sustained an injury on 9th February, 1985, which kept him out for half a dozen games.

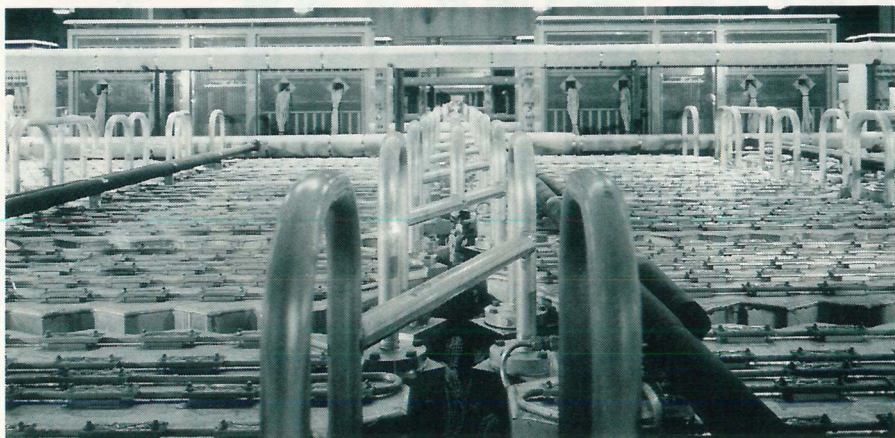
The statistics show that Joe played 265 League games and scored 27 goals for Bury - several of those goals came against Chester and indeed his last strike for the club was against us on 30th August, 1986! The statistics don't tell the real story however, the memories recalled by Joe of his days at Gigg Lane help to give some insight into his success there - "skipper for five seasons", "captain of the team that won the Lancashire/Manx Cup", "Player of The Season 1984". I got the distinct impression that Joe's most lasting memory of his Bury days originated on an evening in September, 1985, when Burnley visited Gigg Lane in a Milk Cup tie and were beaten 5-2 - a certain J. Jakub scored twice "both from 30 yards".

A new chapter in his life started in November, 1986, when Joe received a phone call from Holland asking if he'd like to join AZ67 Alkmaar, Joe explained that he settled in well on the continent - "the game was slower and more technical but of a very high standard, with the like of Ajax and PSV Eindhoven involved". Joe played 50 times for AZ, mostly at left back and scored two goals, whilst PSV's ground sticks in his memory as the best ground played on. The return to this country came almost as surprisingly as the move away had, when Joe received a call from Harry McNally. Despite the life in Holland, Joe did miss the "clubmanship of English players" and was also keen to settle his two daughters Zoe and Natasha into an English school.

So far as footballing ambitions are concerned, Joe cites gaining promotion for Chester as the number one but, in search of the quest, you'll probably not see the influential midfielder donning the number 11 shirt - that's his superstition, he wore that number when he sustained that broken leg mentioned earlier. Incidentally, many of you may be wondering how the name "Joe" came about, when all the record books refer to Yanek Jakub - Joe was his father's name, nothing more to it than that. Still on the theme of names, Joe's nickname is "snapper" and it's probably not hard to see why. Joe obviously has the pedigree to do well here at Chester and already he's created quite an impression. Welcome to Sealand Road Joe, may your stay be long and successful

Lynn Andrews

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BOLTON WANDERERS

1. Who beat Bolton in the Final of the Freight Rover Trophy in 1986?
2. Name the Bolton striker who scored TV's "Goal of the Season" in the late 70's.
3. Which current Everton star joined the Blues from the Burnden Park club?
4. Whom did Wanderers defeat on the last Saturday of last season to gain promotion to the Third Division?
5. Who defeated Bolton in the 1986-87 play-offs and were ultimately promoted to Division Three?

CHESTER 1978-79

1. Name the two clubs who each scored five goals against us before the end of August.
2. Against which team did Stuart Rimmer score his last goal for Chester?
3. Which team did we defeat by a single goal to go joint top of the table at the end of September?
4. Who knocked us out of last season's Sherpa Van Trophy?
5. Who scored our Boxing Day goal against Sunderland?

NAME THE PLAYER

1. Like his brother Dave, this player began his career at Manchester City as an apprentice and moved to Cardiff before being transferred to the North East in 1984. Helped his club to promotion last season. Who is he?
2. This midfield dynamo is not very well known but is likely to become so this season. Has played for Wimbledon, Hereford and Aldershot. He has wanted to taste First Division football ever since he turned "pro" 13 years ago and now, at the age of 31, has got his chance. You're doing very well if you can name him.

GENERAL FOOTBALL

1. In 1983, England played which country three times in the space of seven days?
2. Which Fourth Division club have moved grounds this season?
3. Who scored Southampton's winner against Manchester United in the 1976 F.A. Cup Final?
4. Who managed Lincoln to the G.M. Vauxhall Conference Title last season?
5. Which club did Leicester defender Russell Osman join during the close season?
6. Who was the Scottish Premier League's leading scorer last season?
7. Ray Clemence made his Fourth F.A. Cup Final appearance at Wembley in 1982, equalling the feat of another goalkeeper who also played in four post-war finals. Who is he?
8. Who scored Liverpool's goal in the match proper in the 1984 European Cup Final?
9. Who was the leading goal scorer when the World Cup was played in England in 1966?
10. A man who appeared in his first F.A. Cup Final against West Ham as the youngest finalist ever at that time was at Wembley 20 years later as manager of the winning team. Who is he?

GENERAL SPORT

1. The first winner of the Pot Black Competition went 10 years before he won it again. Who is he?
2. Name the sportsman who was recently transferred for £12 million.
3. Who recently knocked half a second off the 400 metres World Record in a meeting in Zurich?
4. In which sports does a spider play a part?
5. In March, 1983, Colin Jones fought for the W.B.C. World Welterweight Championship. The fight was drawn. Whos was his opponent?
6. In January, 1985, two England batsmen scored double centuries in the same innings. Who were they?
7. On which horse did Willie Carson achieve the Oaks and St. Leger double in 1983?
8. Two cities, one American, the other Australian, staged motor racing Grand Prix for the first time in 1985. Name them.
9. Name three members of the triumphant Australian team which won golf's 1986 Dunhill Cup?
10. What double did John Lowe finish on when he registered his nine-dart finish in the 1984 M.F.I. Matchplay Championships?

ANSWERS TO QUIZ ON CITY STATS 2

WELCOME



Back Row – Left to Right: Ian Callaghan, Gary Henshaw, Paul Hughes, David Felgate, Julian Darby, Ian Stevens, Chris O'Brien.

Middle Row: Phil Neal (*Manager*), Steve Carroll (*Youth Coach*), Nicky Brookman, Gary Brown, Stuart Storer, Trevor Morgan, Dave McKearney, Bob Savage, Jeff Chandler, Mick Brown (*Coach*), Phil Stock (*Physio*).

Front Row: John Thomas, Steve Elliott, Phil Brown, Mark Came, Mark Winstanley, Dean Crombie, Barry Cowdrill, Steve Thompson.

Tonight we welcome Bolton Wanderers to The Stadium but at the same time, we will be hoping that they go home without any further interest in this season's Littlewoods Cup! Wanderers, of course, hold that slender 1-0 lead from the First Leg played last week and if that game was anything to go by, we should be in for a good game tonight.

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The Trotters are now back in Division Three after dropping into the Fourth for the first time in their history at the end of season 1986-87, when they were victims of the play-off system, losing out to Aldershot. That experience was soon overcome and they ensured their stay in the basement was as brief as possible, clinching third place at the end of the season, just one point ahead of both Scunthorpe and Torquay. A certain John Thomas scored no fewer than 27 goals in all competitions last term and we welcome "JT" back tonight as well.

Wanderers are, of course managed by **PHIL NEAL**, who still combines the role with that of player, though he dons his kit less frequently these days. Phil started his career with 186 League games for Northampton, before moving to Liverpool – where he added another 455 League and 174 Cup appearances. Between seasons 1975-76 and 1984-85, Phil missed just one League game for Liverpool in a truly incredible spell of consistency. He joined Bolton in December, 1985 and his nine appearances last season took his League total for the club to 59.

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First choice goalkeeper is **DAVID FELFATE** who was an ever-present last season and was also voted Player of the Year. Born in Blaenau Ffestiniog, David has been capped for Wales at schoolboy, under 21 and full level and actually served his apprenticeship with Bolton. Initially, he had just over two seasons with the club, though his only League experience came during loan spells with Rochdale and Crewe. He joined Lincoln in 1980 and played 198 League games, as well as having

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loan spells at Cardiff and Grimsby. The move the Grimsby became a permanent one in 1985 - before he joined Bolton for a second time in February 1986, this on loan. The move became a permanent one in February, 1987, since which time he's played 66 League matches. David's understudy is 19-years-old **GARETH GRAY** from the Darwen, who made his debut against Rochdale in the Lancs./Manx Cup.

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There are two newcomers to The Trotters defence this term. **PHIL BROWN** the former Halifax skipper cost £16,000. An attacking full-back, Phil began his career with Hartlepool in 1978 and played 217 games, scoring seven goals, before moving to Halifax in 1985. Whilst at the Shay, he missed just three games in three seasons, ending with 135 appearances and 19 goals. The other new man is also a full-back, **BARRY COWDRILL**. Barry joined West Brom from Sutton Coldfield in 1979, made his debut in the First Division that same season and ended his spell at The Hawthornes with 131 appearances, including 61 in the past two seasons. Barry also had a loan spell with Rotherham in 1985-86 but is yet to score a senior goal. **MARK CAME** missed just three games last season and captained the side in the recent Lancs./Manx Cup. Mark joined Bolton from Winsford United in 1984 and has now played 142 League games before this season. **JULIAN DARBY** is a local player who's progressed considerably since his debut in March, 1986 and now has 70 games under his belt, including 40 last season. He's also a former England Schoolboy International. **MARK WINSTANLEY** is a product of the Y.T.S. Scheme. He made his debut a couple of games before Julian Darby, against Bournemouth and now has 34 appearances to his name. He ended last season in a central defensive position and will be looking to retain it this season. **DEAN CROMBIE** joined Lincoln in 1976 from local side Ruston Sports and made 33 appearances before joining Grimsby in 1978. There followed 320 games for The Mariners before Dean moved to Burnden Park last season, only to find his appearances limited to 24, because of injuries. **PAUL HUGHES** is a former apprentice who progressed to make his debut against Stockport last December. He ended the season with 11 appearances to his credit.

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Midfielder **STEVE THOMPSON** had hoped for a move to a "bigger" club during the summer but then signed a new contract for Wanderers. One of the most outstanding midfield player in Division Four last term. Steve missed just two games, taking his League total to 202 - during which he's scored 29 goals. Steve served his apprenticeship with Bolton and made his debut in November, 1982. **ROBBIE SAVAGE** joined the club for £30,000 from Bradford City last September. He began his career as an apprentice at Liverpool and had six seasons at Anfield though his only League experience came during a 27-game loan spell with Wrexham in 1982-83. He moved to Stoke in 1983 but after just seven games, joined Bournemouth, for whom he played 82 games and scored 17 goals. Robbie joined Bradford in December, 1987 but moved on to Bolton after just 11 games. He played 39 times last season and scored five goals, including the one at Wrexham which clinched promotion. **GARY HENSHAW** was another newcomer last season, after 50 games in five seasons at Grimsby. Gary scored on his debut against Crewe on the opening day of last season and ended with two goals in 27

games. **NICKY BROOKMAN** had spells with Newport, Aston Villa and Wrexham as a youngster but made his League debut in April, 1987, after joining Bolton. He played 26 games last season, taking his total to 30. **JEFF CHANDLER** rejoined Bolton last season but managed just three appearances because of a knee ligament injury. Jeff began his career with Blackpool, where he played 37 times before joining Leeds in 1979. After 26 appearances in two years he joined Bolton and then played in 157 League games, scoring 36 goals. Derby paid £40,000 for his services in 1985 and he played 46 games for The Rams, helping them gain promotion to Division Two. **STUART STORER** made the news when, as a relatively unknown youngster, he joined Everton as part of the deal which also took Wayne Clarke from Birmingham to Goodison Park. Stuart began his career with one game for Mansfield in 1983-84 and then played eight times for Birmingham. Last season he had loan spells with both Wigan and Bolton, before joining The Trotters for £25,000. Youngster **IAN CALLAGHAN** is a player with a famous name. Ian made his debut for the club in an F.A. Cup tie against Wrexham last season and made his only League appearance a week later against Colchester.

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There have been problems up front for the start of this season with **JOHN THOMAS** serving suspension and **TREVOR MORGAN** recovering from a hernia operation, added to which **STEVE ELLIOTT** is on a weekly contract. Bolton have been linked with Andy Garner (who signed for Blackpool) and with 'Pool men Craig Madden and Keith Walwyn, but nothing has materialised. "JT" led the scoring charts last season, after his £30,000 move from Preston. His 23 League goals in 45 games included hat-tricks against both Peterborough and Newport. John started his career with Everton and had loan spells with Tranmere and Halifax, before joining Bolton in 1980. After just six goals in 22 games, John moved to Chester and his career took off with 20 goals in 44 games. He moved to Lincoln, where he scored 18 goals in 67 games and then Preston, 38 in 78 games, before rejoining Wanderers last term.

Trevor is an experienced striker whose League career began in 1980, when he joined Bournemouth from Leytonstone. Two spells at Bournemouth brought 46 goals in 141 games and were separated by a six goals in 12 games spell at Mansfield. Trevor has since had two spells at Bristol City (15 goals in 51 games), one at Exeter (9 goals in 30 games) and Bristol Rovers (24 goals in 55 games). Trevor joined Bolton last season and scored seven goals in 42 games.

Steve Elliott is also experienced, though more of a provider than scorer, as his two goals in 16 games last season show. He began his career at Notts Forest and played four games before joining Preston in 1979. A six-season stay at Deepdale brought 70 goals in 208 games and was followed by three goals in 12 games for Luton. Next stop was Walsall, where 21 goals came from 69 appearances, before Steve moved to Bolton at the start of 1986-87 - nine goals in 40 games was his record last term.

Youngster **IAN STEVENS** joined the club last season, after brief spells with Preston and Stockport but managed just a couple of appearances. He has just signed a new contract with the club and played well alongside John Thomas in the pre-season cup games.

Dave Andrews

FACTS & FIGURES

Ourselves and The Trotters have only met twice in the Football League before this season but there have been several Cup encounters and it's those that we'll concentrate on tonight. Back in season 1972-73, we were drawn to play at Burnenden Park in the First Round of the F.A. Cup. Wanderers were then a Third Division team destined for promotion at the end of that campaign and so it was something of a surprise when we came away with a 1-1 draw, though to be honest it was against the run of play. There was to be no giant killing act, however, as Bolton won the replay here by one goal to nil.

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We met again here before the start of season 1981-82, in that never-to-be-forgotten competition, The Group Cup and it was the visitors who again triumphed, 2-1 the score - David Burns scored for Chester and David Hoggan and Chris Thompson for Bolton. Two seasons later it was our first League Cup meeting, a two-legged affair this and, after the first leg, it seemed Bolton were well on the way to Round Two. Goals from Warren Joyce and a brace from Tony Caldwell, gave the home side a 3-0 advantage. The second leg here was a cracker, from a Chester point of view, with goals from Andy Holden, Pat Zelem and Trevor Phillips levelling the aggregate score. Extra time failed to settle the issue and it was Chester who came out on top after a penalty shoot-out.

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Our most recent meeting, before last Tuesday of course, came two seasons ago during our Freight Rover Trophy run. The game was a Northern Area Quarter Final and goals from Gary Bennett and Graham Barrow, along with a Billy Stewart penalty save secured victory for us. Mark Came netted for the home side.

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Several players have played for both Chester and Bolton in post-war soccer - John Thomas is the one who readily springs to mind and we welcome

J.T. back tonight. Others include Albert Burgess, Tony Caldwell, James Cole, Malcolm Edwards, Derek Hernin, Les Jones, Dave Lennard, Ron Phillips, Jimmy Redfern, Mike Salmon, Ian Seddon, Harry Webster and Ray Westwood.

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CITY v. THE TROTTERS - CUP FOOTBALL

	P	W	D	L	F	A
League Cup	2	1	0	1	3	3
F.A. Cup	2	0	1	1	1	2
Freight Rover	1	1	0	0	2	1
Group Cup	1	0	0	1	1	2

THE TROTTERS IN THE '80's LEAGUE CUP

Season	Round	Opponents	Venue	Result
1980-1	2	Crystal Palace	(H)	0-3
		Crystal Palace	(A)	1-2
1981-2	1	Oldham	(H)	2-1
		Oldham	(A)	2-4
1982-3	1	Carlisle	(A)	3-3
		Carlisle	(H)	4-0
	2	Watford	(H)	1-2
		Watford	(A)	1-2
				AET
				3-0
1983-4	1	Chester	(H)	0-3
		Chester	(A)	0-3
				Lost on Penalties
				2-1
1984-5	1	Oldham	(H)	4-4
		Oldham	(A)	2-2
1984-5	2	Shrewsbury	(A)	2-1
		Shrewsbury	(H)	2-1
1984-5	3	Notts County	(A)	1-6
		Notts County	(H)	4-1
1985-6	1	Stockport	(H)	1-1
		Stockport	(A)	0-4
1986-7	2	Notts Forest	(H)	0-3
		Notts Forest	(A)	1-2
1986-7	1	Bury	(H)	0-0
		Bury	(A)	3-2
1987-8	1	Wigan	(A)	1-3
		Wigan	(H)	1-3

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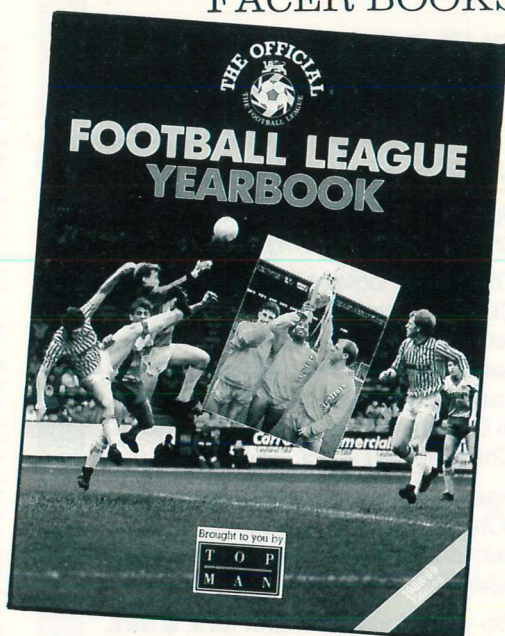
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MEDIA TALK

In tonight's Media Talk we concentrate on what is fast becoming the traditional curtain raiser for the new season, the appearance of the Managers of both Chester and Wrexham on Marcher Sound's "Sporting Fair" programme. Once again the programme gave an interesting insight into how Mr. McNally sees the season, so far as is possible.

This year Harry McNally won the toss and kicked off and the first question posed, quite naturally was "How has the pre-season gone?" The boss explained that he was delighted with our situation, the players had worked hard and the five new men had settled in well. Whilst we were unbeaten Mr. McNally wasn't reading too much into that but it was good for confidence. So far as the new players were concerned the Manager's views were: Ian Benjamin — a good touch player who can hold the ball up front, a player's player, highly respected in the Division. Carl Dale — an exciting deal, his signature was a coup as other clubs were interested, but we're not expecting miracles overnight. Steve Johnson — big powerful and pacey. Joe Jakub — delighted to have signed him, a quality player who should fill the gap left when John Kelly moved on and Joe Hinnigan — known him many years, an influential player who will organise from the back. A special mention was also made about the loss of Milton Graham whom Mr. McNally credited with being one of the top six players in the Division and impossible to replace. "We just have to get on with it" was the philosophical reply when the Boss was asked how we would cope without Milt.

Mark Gaier mentioned the fact that Chester have the "top" teams to play in our opening spell of games when we are looking to make a good start. Mr. McNally explained that all games are hard and that all teams have to be treated the same. He referred to our successes against teams like Middlesbrough, Sunderland and Gillingham in recent seasons and explained that if we lost two games we'd look to win our next two.

Next item on the agenda was an interview with a bookie who thought 50-1 was a fair price for Chester as we keep selling our best players and haven't performed well of late. This prompted the response "He's got his opinions, if I listen to him I'll go home and cut my throat". Mr. McNally added that if we didn't back ourselves at those odds we need locking up.

The discussion then moved on to three general topics — survival on low gates, Directors and Referees. Mr. McNally felt that lower clubs are being badly treated by the hierarchy and cited talks of breakaway leagues, top clubs taking a greater % of income and ridiculous transfer fees in support of his case. On Directors the Boss thought they are much maligned characters — they invariably have to put large amounts of money into clubs and in effect have to say goodbye to it. The discussion then moved on to the early exit from Cup Competitions, putting pressure on the Board to come up with even more money. "The Littlewoods Cup is a nightmare coming as early as it does". Finally so far as the "men in the middle" are concerned Mr. McNally felt that the problem was a lack of understanding with Managers and players — "I'm not bothered about the ref making a mistake but it appalls me and saddens me to see how quickly the book comes out", was one particular comment. It was suggested by both Managers that players in Division One get away with far more than players at a lower level where the game is that bit more physical. Advocating a move towards professional referees and ex-players taking on the job The boss felt that this would help ensure that the difference between a slightly late tackle and intent would be recognised. Finally Mr. McNally's tip for the top, ourselves apart were reading, Notts County, Northampton and Port Vale.

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Aidan Newhouse watches Steve Johnson's shot pass the post.



Colin Woodthorpe fires in a shot at goal.

FROM THE PRESSBOX

By **NEIL TURNER**, *BBC Radio Merseyside Sports Journalist.*

So English football's back and how glad most of us are to see it again after its 3 month sabbatical. Managers' protestations about the standard of refereeing, talk of games of two halves and treating each match as it comes will no doubt light up the pages of the tabloids for the next nine months or so.

The pens of the "fearless Fred Fingers" and "exclusive Ron Rumbles" have had to look for stories away from the sporting arena during the summer.

First we had the protracted Televising of Football negotiations who couldn't decide if they were Rambo or Russ Abbott as they carried on secretly with the two various Television companies, creating a saga equalled only by the "Derek Jameson Life Story" for its mind-numbing boredom.

Did I say we'd had a three month sabbatical from English football? Of course, we had the European Championships with dear, loveable Bobby Robson explaining to us all that "If we'd won the first match we might well have won more." I'm still trying to work that one out.

Of course we did have the pre-European Finals' story of Bobby's lad Brian trying to score in a Buckinghamshire ladies' loo. No doubt he thought the pink Twyford's massed defences would prove adequate training for the battles ahead.

To be fair it wasn't just football that hit the back page headlines during the summer; the sport of cricket came in for its share. The English captain bowled a no-ball in the aptly named "Fox and Goose" and the procession of incumbents who followed him made the West Indies series off the field more like a soap opera than a Test series.

Who would Chairman of Selectors, Peter May, next be seen having dinner with. Thank heavens he avoided Derek Jameson. In a way it's a shame the events on the field didn't copy a soap opera, perhaps we'd have fared a little better. But I shouldn't be disparaging because of course last week our masters of the willow sent shock waves around the sporting world with a "thrilling" five day victory against the Sri Lankans, watched on the final day by an enthralled paying crowd of 378 — 72 of whom, in true cavalier fashion, sacrificed watching the Lunchtime edition of Neighbours to witness the momentous winning run being scored.

But probably the story to top them all came on the opening Saturday of the season. A riot at an Islamic mosque in Luton crept onto the sports pages — it's relationship with sport and football in particular. The disturbance in the holy shrine happened only two miles from Luton Town's Kenilworth Road's plastic pitch — a scoop indeed! No doubt the Government will now try to introduce an Identity Card scheme for all large congregations — though what they do about the travelling worshipper is highly debatable.

So football is back. How good it is to see. Welcome back Messrs. Barrow, Glenn, Dale and Johnson. Good Luck to you all.

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Yes, it's me fans, Gerry Atrick returns with more tales about my life in football and the latest news on my wife Enajetic Atrick.

As all my regular readers know she's one on her own. She's the only person I know who speaks through her nose, because she's worn her mouth out! She's so ugly that someone once said to her "Is that you face, or are you breaking it in for Dracula?"

You've got to feel sorry for her really, her eyes are so bloodshot they look like a street map of Chester and her teeth are so yellow that if she smiles in the street all the cars slow down to see whether they should stop or go! You'd think that she would do something with her hair. I want to get the local gardeners to come round and prune it! I said to her the other day that my suit's getting frayed, she said "Afraid of what?"

Anyway, this summer I took her on holiday to Spain. We were checking in at the airport when the official asked to see her passport and just as she did, she belched. He said, "How dare you belch in front of me!" and she replied, "I didn't know it was your turn!" He looked at her picture in her passport and said, "This isn't a very good photograph, can you identify yourself?" She pulled a mirror out of her bag, looked into it and said, "Yes, that's me".

In the bus going from the airport to the hotel she got into an argument. As you know as well as being ugly, Ena is very fat. The bus was packed and there were three people standing. She turns to the chap sat next to her and said, "If you were a gentleman, you'd get up and let one of those women sit down". He replied, "If you were a lady, you'd get up and let all *three* of them sit down!"

We got to the hotel late to be told by the Manager, "I'm sorry, but we're full up, but you can have the Bridal Suite. I explained we had been married for more than 20 years. "So what", said the Manager "I can let you have the Ballroom but you don't have to dance!"

The following morning we went down to the beach, five minutes from the hotel — by Concorde! She's so fat and has to put on so much suntan lotion that when she jumped into the sea they had an oil slick in the Mediterranean for two weeks afterwards. But she likes the water, she used to have a summer job in Scotland, swimming up and down Loch Ness for the tourists!

I'm always having problems with her. We went on a train journey one day and she dropped her handbag over the edge of the platform and when I asked a porter to retrieve it for me he said he couldn't, as it was beneath his station!

Mind you, I should have known what she was like when I met her. Her family were very unlucky. Her father was drowning at sea when he was picked up by a passing ship — the Titanic! Her brother bought a box of After Eight mints and died at half-past-seven!

I remember the first time I went out with her, one of the first things she said to me was, "Whisper something soft in my ear", so I said "Putty". She said that if I could go back to her flat if I promised to be good, "Good," I said "I'll be fantastic."

All that was twenty odd years ago, since then she's gone so frigid that when she opens her mouth a light goes on!

Well, that's enough of my problems at home until the next time, but my football career continues and it surely can't be long until "the call" from Mr. McNally. I have recently teamed up with a former City favourite in our 5-a-side game on a Wednesday. Yes, just two weeks ago, Gary Talbot and yours truly, Gerry Atrick, formed a deadly duo up front with myself coming out on top bagging 12 goals to "The Old Master's" 10. We certainly would have had more had we not had Bob Brown on our side!

Anyway, that's nearly all for now, I'll leave you with a few thoughts:

Give some people an inch and they think they're rulers.

Show me a boy and a girl stuck on a big wheel and I'll show you a couple who've been going around together a long time!

Until the next time, your Old Pal
GERRY

FLASHBACK

SEASON 1986/87

The Stadium was a setting for mixed emotions two seasons ago with speculation mounting on the one hand that Chairman Eric Barnes was still on the point of leaving the club along with fellow Director Mr. Summers — this because of the outcry when it was suggested that a new ground be built in Wales. On the playing side, however the victory at Derby had provided a bonus. Colin Woodthorpe had impressed at the Baseball Ground prompting Mr. McNally to comment "He had a fine game. He's only 17 and has got a lot of potential to do well."

The team, meanwhile, were preparing for a trip to Gigg Lane to take on Bury. Much was being made of the fact that Chester didn't have a particularly good record on that ground whilst by a strange twist of fate we found ourselves fielding our fifth different goalkeeper in five trips to the club in just over two years. The previous keepers had been Billy O'Rourke, Phil Harrington, David Kaye and John Butcher but at least the fifth, Billy Stewart saw his side share the points. Billy had in fact been criticised for his part in Bury's goal — a 20 yard drive from Joe Jakub squirmed under him — but John Kelly equalised two minutes from time.



JOHN KELLY

Following the Bury game Colin Woodthorpe, praised earlier was given a boost when he was awarded a two year contract by the club — news of another full back, David Glenn was not so good however. David had been forced to miss the Bury game and immediately had a cartilage operation. So it was both good news and bad news as the squad prepared for the return game with Derby.

The game was a cracker. City had three good chances in the opening half hour, one of which resulted in a spectacular overhead clearance off the line by County defender Richard Pratley. Derby came back and substitute Phil Gee scored after 76 minutes with his first touch. Extra time brought another Derby goal from Bobby Davison and then substitute Gary Bennett levelled the scores on aggregate but Derby's away goals saw them through.

SEASON 1984/85

Goalscoring was proving to be a problem for John McGrath's new look side and so for the trip to fancied Aldershot non-contract striker Owen Brown, formerly of Tranmere was given the chance to show what he could do. Brown replaced Andy Higgins as City went in search of their first away win in 14 months. Aldershot dominated the game but scored just once before Chester hit back with Peter Sayer scoring the winner nine minutes later.

It was back to Sealand Road full of confidence therefore to take on Blackpool in the return game in the Milk Cup. City were one goal down from the first leg and welcomed Andy Holden back from injury. By half time however, any dreams of a come-back were shattered — Andy Holden had been replaced after a knock in his kidneys and Blackpool had scored three times. Nigel Walker, Steve Fox and Peter Sayer had looked good in midfield but the usually solid defence had given away goals through sloppy play! To their credit City fought back in the second half but Billy O'Rourke denied them any reward as he ensured that he hadn't conceded a goal thus far into the season.

SEASON 1982/83

Although the season had started brightly for Cliff Sears' new look side, the Milk Cup defeat by Blackpool had brought everyone down to earth. For the trip to Rochdale the Manager dropped Nigel Edwards, Mark Dean and Gary Simpson bringing in Trevor Storton, Steve Ludlam and John Allen. There was also further promise of more new faces with a "First Division star" lined up for a loan move to Sealand Road.

So far as the Rochdale game went City looked a different class in the first half but had just John Thomas's first League goal for the club to show for their efforts. Things got a bit more desperate in the second half but City held on for their second 1-0 League win.

A mid-week trip to Northampton threatened to be a sterner test but on a bumpy pitch John Thomas again gave City the lead and John Allen again missed a good chance to secure victory. Gren Millington played a blinder in goal only to be beaten 15 seconds from time. Nevertheless a point took Chester to top spot in the League even if it was just for 24 hours!

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OUR NEXT OPPONENTS

HOME

We can't complain about the quality of teams that the fixture planners have paired us with in this early stage of the season. Our first home game brought Blackpool to Sealand Road, the Littlewoods Cup draw brought Bolton here last Wednesday and, in a few weeks time, Huddersfield will be our visitors. Bristol City are our opponents on Saturday and in terms of pedigree they rank right up there alongside those mentioned, a fact endorsed by bookmakers who have quoted them second favourites to lift the Division Three title and collect £20,000 prize money. As explained in the Blackpool programme, The Robins lost out to Walsall in last season's play-offs and so must try again to move out of the division. A look at their recent record shows that they've come close for each of the past few seasons since moving out of Division Four. In season 1984-85, they finished fifth, in 1985-86 ninth, in 1986-87 sixth and last season they ended up in fifth place again. Although City lost just three games on home soil last term and scored 51 goals in the process, it was probably their away form that ultimately cost them promotion, losing no fewer than 10 times and "only" scoring 26 goals. Although no one player dominated the goalscoring charts, Alan Walsh a "veteran" of over 400 games with Middlesbrough, Darlington and, since 1984, with The Robins, led the way with 12, closely followed by Rob Newman with 11. Carl Shutt, formerly with Sheffield Wednesday, scored nine, but that was probably fewer than he'd hoped after scoring twice on his debut at Blackpool and then four times against Fulham last December.

Shutt was just one of several big-name/'big-money' signings last term, others included Steve Galliers ex-Wimbledon, Glen Humphries ex-Doncaster, John Pender ex-Charlton, Steve McClaren ex-Derby and Ralph Milne, again from Charlton but formerly with Dundee United. Joe Jordan of course took over from Terry Cooper as Manager towards the end of last season and so it's not difficult to see why The Robins are so highly rated.

No new players have been added to the City squad during the close season and so the team which kicked off the campaign at Notts County a couple of weeks ago had a familiar look about it, though the manager himself was ruled out by injury. Goalkeeper Keith Vaughn apparently played a blinder in that game and City came away with a creditable 0-0 draw, to set their season underway. Three days later in the first leg of the Littlewoods Cup, 6,000 fans entered Ashton Gate to witness the "demolition" of Exeter - that game only ended 1-0 in City's favour however, courtesy of a Rob Newman penalty! So far as our record here goes against City we have won two of our League games, they have won two and one has been drawn. Older fans may well remember an F.A. Cup Third Round tie back in 1970, when we beat the then Second Division side 2-1.

A close game is on the cards but a good one nevertheless, so why not come along and bring a friend. Finally, whilst on the subject of matches here, on Friday, 16th September, we play our first Midland Senior League game at The Stadium. Our visitors are Hartlepool - so why not come along and watch our youngsters in action.

Dave Andrews

AWAY

Although we've now got two home games to look forward to, tonight and Saturday, we follow up with two games away from home. Both matches will take place in impressive surroundings, Bramhall Lane, Sheffield and Deepdale, Preston. Tonight we'll look forward to the first of those trips. As befits a club with The Blades' pedigree, United's stadium is magnificent and despite its modern cantilever stand, built just over 10 years ago, is a location steeped in history. Sheffield cricket club was formed in 1854 and was based at Bramhall Lane, Yorkshire County Cricket Club first played there a year later and last played there in August, 1973. "Progress" has meant that the cricket ground formed the base for the new stand but, for many many years, football at Bramhall Lane was played on a three-sided ground, as it is still at Northampton. The first soccer match played on the ground was in 1862 and indeed, Sheffield Wednesday played there for a while! Sixteen years later, the ground played host to soccer's first-ever floodlit match, closely followed five years later by International football (England v. Scotland). The success of such ventures prompted the birth, in 1889, of Sheffield United - three years later they were elected to Division Two and, within five years were Champions of Division One, after finishing runners-up the year previous. Most of United's honours, in fact, came in the late 1890's and early 1900's - four F.A. Cup victories, the last in 1925 included. Since those times, just the Second Division Championship in 1952-53 and the Fourth Division title in 1981-82 have followed.

Soccer success was to be at the expense of cricket, the summer game. By the 1930's, the ground was covered on three sides and, in 1936, a record crowd of 68,287 saw and F.A. Cup tie against Leeds - during that season the football club even dared to erect a temporary stand over the cricket wicket! Bramhall Lane then suffered badly during the war, though to look at it now you wouldn't think so! By 1953, the old Main Stand was back in action and in 1967 a stand was erected at the Bramhall Lane end to be followed in 1975 by the new South Stand with its 7,949 seats. Unfortunately for United the new construction coincided with a slump in playing fortunes and though a brief revival followed, last season brought relegation again.

The Safety of Sports Grounds Acts have reduced the Bramhall Lane capacity to a "mere" 40,000, most of whom would be able to watch the game from under cover, even if they should all arrive at once. It's sad, in many ways, to report that all connections with cricket have now gone so far as the ground is concerned, six years ago the cricket pavilion was demolished, whilst if you park your car in the main car park, just stop and listen for the sound of leather on willow - the car park is where the cricket pitch was! Chester have played twice before at Bramhall Lane, the first time, in February 1980, ended in a 1-1 draw and I can still see Ian Rush scoring for us on that occasion! The following April, United gained revenge with a 2-0 victory. The Blades are sure to be among the top teams in the division, the ground is well worth a visit and the trip doesn't take too long.

Dave Andrews

AUG 28	Blackpool	1-1	3,496	Stewart	Glenn	Woodthorpe	Hinnigan	Abel	Lightfoot	Jakub	Butler	Benjamin	Johns'n 1	Bennett	Dale	Newhouse
Sat 27	Bolton L.W. Cup 1	0-1	3,536	Stewart	Glenn	Woodthorpe	Hinnigan	Abel	Lightfoot	Jakub	Butler	Benjamin	Johns'n 1	Bennett	Dale	Newhouse
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Sat 10	Blackpool City															
Sat 17	Sheff Wed Utd.															
Sat 24	Sheff Wed Utd.															
Sat 24	Huddersfield															
OCT.																
Sat 1	Reading															
Sat 8	Sheff Wed Utd.															
Sat 15	Notts County															
Sat 22	Bristol Rovers															
Sat 29	Mansfield															
Sat 29	Aldershot															
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Sat 5	Swansea															
Sat 12	Bury															
Sat 19	Chesterfield															
Sat 26	F.A. Cup 1															
DEC.																
Sat 3	Gillingham															
Sat 10	Bolton															
Sat 17	F.A. Cup 2															
Sat 24	Wigan															
Sat 31	Northampton															
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Sat 7	Wolves															
Sat 14	Fulham															
Sat 21	Port Vale															
Sat 28	Bristol City															
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Sat 11	Reading															
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Sat 15	Gillingham															
Sat 22	Sunderland															
Sat 29	F.A. Cup Final															

* * = Substitutes

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MIDLAND SENIOR LEAGUE

FIXTURES 1988-89

0-3

Aug. 31 Tues.	Birmingham City
Sept. 16 Fri.	Hartlepool Utd.
Sept. 20 Tues.	Peterborough Utd.
Oct. 7 Fri.	Walsall
Oct. 10 Mon.	Lincoln City
Oct. 21 Fri.	Tranmere R.
Oct. 26 Wed.	Shrewsbury Town
Nov. 9 Wed.	Wolves
Nov. 18 Fri.	Scarborough
Nov. 29 Tues.	Halifax Town
Dec. 19 Mon.	Northampton T.
Jan. 6 Fri.	Wrexham
Jan. 10 Tues.	Hartlepool Utd.
Jan. 23 Tues.	Chesterfield
Jan. 31 Tues.	Tranmere R.
Feb. 10 Fri.	Birmingham City
Feb. 17 Fri.	Peterborough Utd.
Feb. 24 Fri.	Shrewsbury Town
Mar. 10 Fri.	Northampton T.
Mar. 17 Fri.	Chesterfield
Mar. 22 Wed.	Wrexham
Mar. 28 Tues.	Walsall
Apr. 11 Tues.	Scarborough
Apr. 14 Fri.	Halifax
Apr. 21 Fri.	Lincoln City
Apr. 28 Fri.	Wolves

LEAGUE CUP

Round 1

Nov. 4 Fri.	Northampton T.
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APPEARANCES/GOALS 1988-89

League Littlewoods Cup

Graham Abel	2	1
Graham Barrow	1	
Ian Benjamin	2	1
Gary Bennett	1	1
Barry Butler	1	1
Carl Dale	+ 1	
David Glenn	2	1
Joe Hinnegan	2	1
Joe Jakub	2	1
Steve Johnson	2	(2)
Chris Lightfoot	2	1
Sean London	+ 1	+ 1
Aidan Newhouse	1 + 1	+ 1
Billy Stewart	2	1
Colin Woodthorpe	2	(1)

Figures in brackets = goals

+ Denotes Sub.

TODAY'S REFEREE

Today's referee is Mr. Gary Alpin from Kendal, Cumbria. Married with three children, he commenced refereeing in 1970 in the Westmorland League and via Lancashire Combination and North West Counties to the Football League. He was a linesman in 1983 F.A. Trophy Final, the UEFA Cup at Inter Milan and Reserve Official for 1986 Freight Rover Final. Hobbies are fishing and cricket.

TODAY'S OTHER GAMES

LITTLEWOODS CUP

First Round - Second Leg

Brighton	v. Southend
Bristol R.	v. Bournemouth
Exeter	v. Bristol City
Lincoln	v. Crewe
Peterboro'	v. West Brom.
Reading	v. Torquay

MASCOT —

MARK EPHGRAVE

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE - DIV. TWO

FIXTURES 1988-89

6-0

Aug. 20	Bury "A"
Sept. 3	Manchester Utd. "B"
Sept. 10	Marine Youth
Sept. 17	Liverpool "B"
Sept. 24	Tranmere R. "B"
Oct. 1	Crewe Alex. "B"
Oct. 8	Blackburn R. "B"
Oct. 15	Stockport C. "A"
Oct. 22	Everton "B"
Oct. 29	Blackburn R. "B"
Nov. 5	Stockport C. "A"
Nov. 12	Everton "B"
Nov. 26	Oldham Ath. "B"
Dec. 3	Carlisle Utd. "B"
Dec. 10	Preston N.E. "B"
Dec. 17	Bury "A"
Dec. 24	Manchester Utd. "B"
Jan. 7	Wigan Ath. "B"
Jan. 14	Blackpool "A"
Jan. 21	Marine Youth
Jan. 28	Carlisle Utd. "A"
Feb. 4	Preston N.E. "B"
Feb. 11	Oldham Ath. "B"
Feb. 18	Blackpool "A"
Feb. 25	Wigan Ath. "A"
Mar. 4	Crewe Alex. "B"
Mar. 11	Tranmere R. "B"
Mar. 18	Liverpool "B"
April 1	

ANSWERS TO QUIZ TIME

1. Bolton Wanderers
2. Bristol City
3. Frank Worthington
4. Wrexham
5. Aldershot

CHESTER 1987-88

1. Northampton and Rotherham
2. Gillingham

NAME THE PLAYER

1. Sunderland's Gary Bennett

General Football

1. Australia
2. Scotland
3. Bobby Stokes
4. Col. Kelly
5. Southampton

General Sport

1. Ray Reardon
2. Canadian ice-hockey and Mike Gattling
3. great Wayne Gretzky
4. Butch Reynolds
5. Snooker and Darts (it is a rest in snooker, while it is also the wire scoring frame attached to a snooker board)
6. Graeme Fowler
7. Sun Princess
8. New York and Adelaide
9. Rodger Davis, David Graham and Greg Norman
10. Howard Kendall
11. Tommy Coyne
12. Pat Jennings
13. Eusebio
14. Tottenham
15. Milton McCarty
16. 18

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CHESTER CITY

Blue/White

BILLY STEWART

Pulled off a great save from John Thomas in the 1st leg.

DAVID GLENN

Unlucky not to get on the scoresheet at Burnden Park.

COLIN WOODTHORPE

Scored our first goal in the win at Port Vale.

JOE HINNIGAN

In superb form during last Saturday's victory.

GRAHAM ABEL

Formed a good partnership with Chris Lightfoot in defence.

CHRIS LIGHTFOOT

Continues to show great promise this season.

JOE JAKUB

Influential in midfield since joining us in the close season.

GRAHAM BARROW

Returned to the side last Saturday after suspension.

IAN BENJAMIN

Linking up well with Steve Johnson up front.

STEVE JOHNSON

Scored in both League games so far this season.

AIDAN NEWHOUSE

Made his full League debut at Vale Park last Saturday.

GARY BENNETT

Pressing for first team place, fast direct player.

SEAN LUNDON

Returned to the side as sub last Wednesday after injury.

BOLTON WANDERERS

White/Black

1 DAVID FELGATE

Welsh International. Player of the Year.

2 PHIL BROWN

Summer signing. Ex-Halifax and Hartlepool.

3 BARRY COWDRILL

Summer signing. Spent 9 seasons at West Brom.

4 NICKY BROOKMAN

Manchester-born youngster; 26 games last term.

5 MARK CAME

Signed from Winsford Utd., in 1984; 43 games last term.

6 MARK WINSTANLEY

Debut March 1986. Played 18 games last season.

7 GARY HENSHAW

Second season at club. Formerly with Grimsby.

8 STEVE THOMPSON

One club man with over 200 appearances to his name.

9 JOHN THOMAS

27 goals last season. Former Chester star.

10 STEVE ELLIOTT

Over 200 games for P.N.E. Ex. Notts F., Luton and Walsall.

11 JULIAN DARBY

The only local lad in the first team squad.

12 DEAN CROMBIE

Over 350 games with Lincoln and Grimsby.

14 IAN STEVENS

Spells with P.N.E. and Stockport. Joined Bolton last season.



Referee: G. APLIN (Kendall, Cumbria)

Linesmen:

J. J. SHAWCROSS (Red Trim)

J. G. SMITH (Yellow Trim)



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